A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 10th FEBRUARY 2015 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR Chairman

COUNCILLOR B BELL
COUNCILLOR D CARR
COUNCILLOR M LISTON
COUNCILLOR MRS M MILLER
COUNCILLORMS J SAXTON
COUNCILLOR R WEST
COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

Mr Peter Northfield Recreation Centre

Before the business of the Meeting began the Chairman welcomed Mr Ian Thompson to the meeting, and Mr Thompson signed his Declaration of acceptance of Office as a Parish Councillor. This was then countersigned by the Clerk.

Mr Peter Northfield, representing the Recreation Centre, outlined possible plans for "Rec Centre 2". The Football Club has lost the use of the land at Moor Lane and needs to find more space for the 27 teams which play for Copmanthorpe. There is money available from the Football Foundation, but they will need help from the Recreation Centre, which is willing to put in £50,000. If the land can be developed for other uses these user groups would have to be responsible for the day to day management.

Over many years the provision of a skate park has frequently been discussed by the Parish Council. This would not be covered by the Recreation Centre's current insurance, and there are many issues regarding location, cost, health and safety etc. to be considered.

Rec2 football would be mainly for the junior clubs, and the Recreation Centre management would not want to see the senior teams relocate there.

It is clear that there is much to discuss, and the Parish Council will be kept informed of any developments.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Ms A Little Cllr G Simpson Cllr C Steward

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 13 January 2015, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that meeting, after it was noted that the final paragraph under Item 10 should have been under Item 11. PROPOSED by Cllr Carr. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Miller. ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

A number of sheds have been broken into, otherwise very little to report

5. CLERK'S REPORT

Thirty-seven new trees have been planted in the burial ground by the Trust for Conservation Volunteers, with valuable help from David Whiteman and Major Les Woods. The trees are a mix of field maple, rowan and silver birch and will be thinned out as and when necessary. The Parish Council will be responsible for these new trees in the same way as it is for the older trees.

6. ACTION REVIEW

Cllr Whitfield distributed copies of the updated Council Structure spreadsheet. The Clerk is continuing to pursue outstanding Section 106 monies with CYC, and the Wayleave on Low Green with our solicitor

An up to date bus timetable has been displayed at the bus stop on Top Lane, and First York are holding an open meeting on Thursday 12th in the Howell Hall to see what residents want from the bus service.

A request for new members for Village Green, and more volunteers for the Task Force. will appear in the next Newsletter.

7. RURAL WEST YORK

Cllr Steward is this evening attending a Cabinet meeting, but informs us that Council Tax will be frozen in the budget, and Parish Councils will this year be eligible to apply for Ward funding provided they are contributing some monies themselves.

The Local Plan is unlikely to be ready for publication before the elections.

A resident has complained about dogs in the village not on leads. The Clerk has had the same complaint, of concern particularly since it can contribute to the dog fouling problem.

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The CYC consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan will end on 9th March. There was a useful article in the Press (although mainly focussed on Fulford), and there will be an CNP Exhibition for residents in the Howell Hall on 21 February, group

9. CYC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

It is now very unlikely that this will be ready before the elections.

10. YOUTH CLUB and HOWELL HALL

Following a considerable amount of disruptive behaviour from members a decision has been taken to close the Youth Club until the beginning of March, and then re-open initially only for younger and new members.

11. RECREATION CENTRE

A report from Cllr Whitfield has already been circulated.

It was AGREED that Cllrs Whitfield, Bell and Thompson would form a

Sub-Committee to consider the proposals for "Rec Centre 2".

Whitfield

12. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK AND RIDE

Nothing to report on bus services or Park and Ride. However, parking at the top of Merchant Way continues to be a problem, and backfilling of a trench recently dug across Top Lane has been done to a very poor standard. Cllr Carr to write to the site foreman about this, with a copy to CYC.

13. ALLOTMENTS

Rat traps have been set on the allotment site, and repairs to a leaking tap have been requested.

14. FIRST WORLD WAR COMMEMORATION

To be left in abeyance.

15. CORRESPONDNECE

Letters and emails of thanks have been received from a number of village organisations for the grants recently awarded.

16. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The Planning report has been circulated. It is noted that new bulbs have been fitted in the street lights on Manor Heath, Top Lane and Horseman Lane, and these direct the light downwards towards the Footpath.

b) Finance

No report.

17. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	15,612.14 21,852.19
	£	37,464.33
Credits to the Account this Month		
HMRC – VAT refund Re: Carol Richardson Interest on Business Money Manager a/c	£	1,569.40 30.00 3.81
	£	1,603.21
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Electrotest UK – re Christmas lights St Giles Church – Street Fair Stall x 2 CPRE – membership subscription P D Greenwell – expenses re photographic competition P D Greenwell – salary	£	132.00 52.00 36.00 125.00 362.45
	£	707.45

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Carr. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Miller. ALL IN FAVOUR.

18. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Annual Parish Meeting Rec Centre 2 Coronation Cup Street Fair

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10th March 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall, to be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 24th March 2015 in the Howell Hall at 7.30 pm.

Signed	Date

ACTION REVIEW

Section 106 monies – Clerk
Wayleave across Low Green – Clerk
Parking on Merchant Way and condition of road surface on Top Lane – Cllr Carr to write
Rec 2 sub-committee to meet